



# PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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## Parish Newsletter 24 January 2021, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

**Holy days of Obligation:** In Australia we have the Feast of the Assumption (15 August) and Christmas Day (25 December).



<https://www.trybooking.com/BJXIV>

**Mass and Service Times** (face masks mandatory till 22 January)

### Weekend Mass

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7.00am, 9.00am &amp; 5.00pm</b>

### Weekday Mass

<b>Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri (NO Thursday Mass)</b>	<b>6.30am</b>
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### Exceptions

<b>Saturday and Public Holidays</b>	<b>8.00am</b>
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### Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Exposition held after Mass  
Friday resumes February  
All are invited to join this devotion.

### Reconciliation

**By appointment**

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20*

Jonah is a delightful novella best read in its entirety. It speaks of God's compassionate response to the penitent, but with sinful foreigners as the role models of repentance the story is also a rebuke against the obstinacy of the people of Jerusalem and Israel who do not listen to the prophets. Due to its length, though not very long, reading the whole needs to be done outside the liturgy, but it is beneficial to encourage people to read and reflect upon it in order to prepare for this Sunday. The excerpts we read today stress the swiftness of the Ninevites' reaction: Jonah does not have good news for them but proclaims simply, in effect, "You will be destroyed"; they believe him, and they repent in fasting and in sackcloth. Then we hear the oft-repeated statement (but more often forgotten by critics of the Old Testament's so-called angry God): God relented and did not do what he had threatened.



In today's gospel (Mark 1:14-20) the public ministry of Jesus begins, but there are significant contrasts with Jonah: Jesus proclaims good news, saying "The kingdom of God has come", inviting the people to repent, to change their minds or ways. But will they? Unlike the Ninevites, and too much like the Jerusalemites whom the book of Jonah was apparently written against, we know that at Jerusalem he will, like prophets of old, be rejected and killed—but of course not by all. Later in the novella Jonah, with a disregard for the lives of the Ninevites and an overinflated regard for his own reputation as a truth-teller, takes umbrage at God's relenting ways; taking himself to the shade of a shrub, he cares more about it than the innocents in the city. Contrariwise, Jesus rejoices in the message he proclaims, that God is near and compassion has arrived; he delights more over repentant sinners than in the righteous who feel no need to repent; he takes no offence when sinners change, but will himself become the protective shade to those who seek shelter in his cross. Jesus, rather than flee his mission as Jonah in his story had attempted to do, embraces his work with vigour, and immediately he begins recruiting others to assist so that even more may be sent to the great work. Thus, rather than following the usual pattern of the first reading directly supporting the day's gospel, Jonah is employed as a contradictory parallel.

The Lectionary's second readings more often than not have little directly in common thematically with either the gospel or first reading. Today, however, there is some convergence as the second reading (1 Cor 7:29-31) opens in effect with the message, "The end is nigh". But rather than being alarmed, Paul's hearers are to look forward to it. Others fearing the end of the world experience distress, whereas the Christian message means more completion than destruction. There had sometimes been misunderstanding over these ideas, however, and it took some years before they realised that they had perhaps confused the advent of the Kingdom with the end of time. This reading discloses something of an expectation that the world will end soon, especially in the advice to live as if unmarried, in effect to cease propagating the species. The other advice about not being engrossed in or snagged by the ways of the world that will end, by which is meant human rule, is more easily interpreted in the other understanding, that is, that the world of waywardness will end; God's will will rule.

*Text: Homily Help - Rev Dr Barry Craig - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B Liturgia.com.au  
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## Liturgy of the Word

### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** Jonah 3:1-5, 10

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 24: 4-9

Teach me your ways, O Lord

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

**Gospel:** Mark 1:14-20

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:

believe the Good News.

Alleluia, alleluia!

#### Acclamation of Faith:

Save us Saviour of the World

for by Your Cross and Resurrection,

You have set us free.

## HELP YOUR PARISH IN COVID TIME

- ◆ To cancel a booking, please go to the email you received after booking and click on 'process refund'
- ◆ If you make a booking, please ensure that you come to that Mass
- ◆ If you do not come when you have booked, someone else misses out on a seat
- ◆ Please come at least 10 minutes early so that the Marshalls are able to attend the beginning of Mass

### WEEKDAY MASS HAS RESUMED (please see front)



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 6.30am

Saturday and Public Holidays at 8.00am

### BENEDICTION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Exposition held after Mass Friday (resumes in February 2021)

All are invited to join this devotion.

## Prayer Requests

We give praise and thanks for blessings given and prayers answered. We pray for all our family members, parishioners and benefactors who are in need of prayer and for all those who are facing difficult times. We pray for them and for those who have asked for our prayers.

**CONDOLENCE:** Our prayers and thoughts are with those who are mourning the death of loved ones.

Especially: Sidney Greedy, John Hegarty, Lai Hing Kwong and Ada Salvati

**SICKNESS:** Our prayers are asked for people who are sick or housebound, and for all those who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes.

Especially: Meuris Gonsalves

If you would like the parish to pray for and have someone's name listed in our prayers each week, Intention envelopes can be delivered to the Parish office.

## Baptism

### Baptism preparation:

3rd Saturday 10.30am

### Infant Baptism:

2nd & 4th Sunday after 9am Mass

Please allow 3 months notice to Parish for Baptism.

Further information and application:

<http://www.ourladyandstymnparish.com/baptism.html>

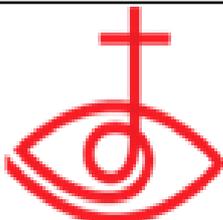
## Marriage

Please allow 6 months notice to Parish for Marriage.

Further information:

<http://www.ourladyandstymnparish.com/marriage.html>

You are most welcome to contact the Parish Office for further information. Phone: 3862 9402



### A VOCATION VIEW:

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
- Year B**

Even a great person like Jonah turned away, at first, from what God called him to do. It is never too late to hear the Lord say, 'Come, follow me.'

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To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Centre: 1300 133 544

[vocationbrisbane.com](http://vocationbrisbane.com)

**ASPLEY CLASSES FOR SENIORS** Enrolment Day for Term 1 Classes 9-11am Wednesday 27 January at the Uniting Church Hall, 748 Robinson Road West, Aspley. Visit : [www.aspleyclassesforseniors.com](http://www.aspleyclassesforseniors.com) for class details.

## PARISH UPDATES



**COVID-19 UPDATE:** Masks are no longer mandatory in places of worship, only recommended where social distancing cannot be maintained. Please note that Queensland Health strongly encourages individuals to carry a face mask at all times, to provide added protection if you are in a situation where you cannot maintain social distancing.



**Australia Day**  
Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

### AUSTRALIA DAY MASS 26 JANUARY 8.00am

Mass will be offered at 8.00 am on Tuesday, 26 January instead of the usual 6.30 am Tuesday Weekday Mass.

# MEET & GREET

### MEET AND GREET FOR FATHER SUNNY 13 / 14 FEBRUARY

A Meet and Greet will be held following Masses on 13 and 14 February (weather permitting).



Please Note: Due to Government Covid-Safe requirements this will be held in the outdoors in front of the parish hall. Social Distancing of 1.5m will be required and monitored (as per government guidelines). Covid-Safe requirements for food and beverage service will be adhered to by certified volunteers. All volunteers serving food must complete the Qld TAFE COVID safe dining-in training online at:

<https://covidsafework.tafeqld.edu.au/course/126/covid-safe-work-training-for-dining-in>. This course takes approx. 20 minutes to complete. Once completed please forward a copy of the certificate to the parish office for inclusion on the the Volunteer Register.

# ASH WEDNESDAY

### COVID-SAFE ASH WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY

The Congregation for Divine Worship recently published a note detailing how Catholic priests around the world are to distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday, 17 February. These recommendations are in line with keeping our parishioners, employees and volunteers COVID-safe. Therefore, this Ash Wednesday, parishes in the Archdiocese of Brisbane will sprinkle ashes on the heads of the faithful instead of the traditional marking on the forehead.

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

If your child has received Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, we are inviting them to participate in the preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). In the year when the children turn ten (Year Five) they are prepared to celebrate more fully the Sacrament of Penance with individual confession and absolution.

The program runs over a period of six weeks and concludes with the Sacrament on Saturday 27th March from 4:00pm - 5:00pm.



**ONLINE ENROLMENT** <http://www.ourladyandstdympnparish.com/penance-reconciliation.html>

**OPENS** 6.00pm Wednesday 27th January and **CLOSES** 6.00pm 9th February

### PENANCE PREPARATION

**Attendance at a Parent/Carer Information Session** (mandatory) (Adult only) Covid19 restrictions are in place and information sessions are limited to **ONE** parent only attending.

**Wednesday 10th February (7pm – 8pm)**

**Attendance at ONE Workshop** Covid19 restrictions require number limits to be applied to workshop venues. We ask that parents/carers please sign in and leave their child/children for the duration of the workshop.

**Sunday 21st March 10.15am - 11:45am**

**or 2:30pm - 4:00pm**

**Attendance at a Practice Session** Both child and parents/carers attend.

**Thursday 25th March 3:30pm - 4:00pm**

**or Thursday 25th March 5:00pm - 5:30pm**

**Celebration of the Sacrament** Both child and parents/carers attend.

**Saturday 27th March 4.00pm - 5.00pm**

**Rosters**

30/31 January	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday	R. Campbell (B) Sr M. Costello	<b>First Reading</b> S. Cuaycong <b>Second Reading</b> E. Arpon <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> A.Arpon		Volunteer please	Yvonne Savio or Suzan
7.00 a.m Mass	S. Vaz (B) G. Bortuzzo	<b>First Reading</b> D. Chiavaro <b>Second Reading</b> A.Spanevello <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> M. Campbell		M. Blight	Nancy Sylvester
9.00 a.m. Mass	C. Fernandes (B) J. Fernandes	<b>First Reading</b> J. Frayne <b>Second Reading</b> <b>L. George</b> <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> P. Mawaka		Volunteer please	Judith Claude
5.00 p.m. Mass	S. Sherwood (B) S. Sherwood	<b>First Reading</b> J. Bissell (B) <b>Second Reading</b> E. Lebajo <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> S. Tam		B.Hopewell	Kelli Rod or Di
<b>Counters:</b> <b>24 January</b> A. Dunn N. Dunn R. Heskett D. Salvati  <b>31 January</b> C. Smith D. Kehoe R. Volter J. Coates	<b>Cleaning Church:</b> Volunteers Nigel Hughes <b>30 January</b> Volunteers <b>6 February</b> D.Francis <b>12 February</b> Volunteer <b>20 February</b> Savio and Jinella <b>27 February</b> Volunteers Nigel Hughes	<b>COVID19 VOLUNTEERS:</b>  <b>Marshalls:</b> 2 Volunteers for each Mass ( <i>Marshalls should be less than 70 years of age. If over 70, you must be prepared to wear a mask</i> ).  <b>Cleaners:</b> Every Mass or event must have at least <b>SEVERAL</b> people who stay behind to sanitise church ( <i>Cleaners are NOT restricted by age but must be in good health. If 70 or over, you must be prepared to wear a mask</i> ).		<b>HYMNS:</b> <b>Firmly I Believe and Truly</b> <b>Be Still for the Presence of the Lord</b> <b>How Great Thou Art</b>  	

Next week's Liturgy	The Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p><b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>First Reading:</b> Deuteronomy 18:15-20 <b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> Psalm 94:1-2,6-9 If today your hear his voice, harden not your hearts. <b>Second Reading:</b> 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 <b>Gospel:</b> Mark 1: 21-28</p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> Alleluia, alleluia! The people in darkness have seen a great light; a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia, alleluia!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you</b></p> <p>Please let Jenny in the Piety Stall in the foyer of the church know if you will be purchasing <i>The Catholic Leader</i> this year.</p> <p>As credits for return of unsold papers are no longer offered, only a specific number of papers can be ordered will be available for purchase at a cost of \$4.00. Please place your order.</p>	<table border="1"> <tr><td><b>Sun</b></td><td><b>24</b></td><td>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Mon</b></td><td><b>25</b></td><td>The Conversion of St Paul, apostle</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Tues</b></td><td><b>26</b></td><td>Australia Day Mass 8.00am</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Wed</b></td><td><b>27</b></td><td>St Angela Merici, virgin Sts Timothy and Titus, bishops</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Thurs</b></td><td><b>28</b></td><td>St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Fri</b></td><td><b>29</b></td><td></td></tr> <tr><td><b>Sat</b></td><td><b>30</b></td><td>Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Sun</b></td><td><b>31</b></td><td>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</td></tr> </table> <p><b>Date Claimers: FEBRUARY 7TH, 2021 SUNDAY MASS AT 9AM</b> The Installation of Fr Sunny Mathew as Parish Priest</p>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>24</b>	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>Mon</b>	<b>25</b>	The Conversion of St Paul, apostle	<b>Tues</b>	<b>26</b>	Australia Day Mass 8.00am	<b>Wed</b>	<b>27</b>	St Angela Merici, virgin Sts Timothy and Titus, bishops	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>28</b>	St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor	<b>Fri</b>	<b>29</b>		<b>Sat</b>	<b>30</b>	Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary	<b>Sun</b>	<b>31</b>	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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